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**STATE AND COUNTY TO CONTINUE LOCAL SCHEDULE OF
CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE DURING PROVIDER TRANSFER**

-Plans call for smooth transition for clients and staff in Clark County-

April 18, 2006 (*Carson City*) – The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will move forward with plans to collaboratively manage with Clark County the local Child Care Assistance Program. This program provides day care, after-school services and respite care for more than 5,600 children and 2,900 families in southern Nevada.

Effective May 1, 2006, families will continue to receive services and assistance at 2500 W. Washington Street in Las Vegas; additionally, all current staff has been retained under the new management.

The move to collaboratively manage this program is an interim plan developed by the state and county. Joint oversight and administration of the Child Care Assistance Program will continue until such time as an appropriate community-based provider can be appointed by the state through a solicitation process.

DHHS will provide temporary funding to Clark County for program operations to ensure there is no interruption of services to the community.

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Further, the state will also temporarily designate Clark County the Community Action Agency in southern Nevada. This designation will provide for additional funding to Clark County in anticipation of the transfer of other programs previously administered by the Economic Opportunity Board, including: senior services, housing development and family development/self-sufficiency programs.

The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services promotes the health and well-being of Nevadans through the delivery and facilitation of essential services to ensure that families are strengthened, public health is protected and individuals achieve their highest level of self-sufficiency. Under Director Michael J. Willden, each of the Department's agencies is committed to being accessible and responsive to the public it serves.

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